United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
09/586,747	06/02/2000	Paul R. Burnett	Army 105	7935	
30951 NASH & TITU	7590 07/17/2007 S. LLC		EXAMINER		
21402 UNISON RD MIDDLEBURG, VA 20117			WANG, SHENGJUN		
MIDDLEBURG	J, VA 2011/		ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER		
		•	1617		
			*		
			MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE	
			07/17/2007	PAPER	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

	Application No.	Applicant(s)				
	09/586,747	BURNETT ET AL.				
Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit				
	Shengjun Wang	1617				
The MAILING DATE of this communication app		ith the correspondence addre	ess			
Period for Reply						
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPL' WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DA - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.1 after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period value for reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	ATE OF THIS COMMUNI 36(a). In no event, however, may a will apply and will expire SIX (6) MOR c, cause the application to become Al	CATION. reply be timely filed NTHS from the mailing date of this comm BANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).				
Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>08 D</u>	<u>ecember 2006</u> .	•				
. 2a)⊠ This action is FINAL . 2b)☐ This	☐ This action is FINAL . 2b)☐ This action is non-final.					
) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under E	Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.E). 11, 453 O.G. 213.				
Disposition of Claims						
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-14</u> is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdraw	wn from consideration.					
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.	•					
6) Claim(s) 1-14 is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	r election requirement					
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine						
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acc						
Applicant may not request that any objection to the Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correct			1.121(d).			
11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex						
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119		•				
<u> </u>	main aite consider 25 H C C I	S 440(=) (d) == (5)				
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreigna) All b) Some * c) None of:	priority under 35 0.5.C.	3 119(a)-(u) or (i).				
1. Certified copies of the priority document	s have been received.					
2. Certified copies of the priority document		application No				
3. Copies of the certified copies of the prior	rity documents have been	received in this National Sta	age			
application from the International Bureau						
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list	of the certified copies not	received.				
Attachment(s)						
 Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 		Summary (PTO-413) s)/Mail Date				
3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date		nformal Patent Application				

DETAILED ACTION

Receipt of applicants' amendments and remarks submitted December 8, 2006 is acknowledged.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. 251

- 1. The reissue oath/declaration filed with this application is defective (see 37 CFR 1.175 and MPEP § 1414) because of the following: No specific error in the application has been identified as error correctable by reissue application in the declaration. It is noted the declaration assert "the patentees claiming less than patentees had the right to claim" However, claims as pending do not encompass more than originally claimed. Further, declaration must also state "original and first" inventor
- 2. Claims 1-14 are rejected as being based upon a defective reissue declaration under 35 U.S.C. 251 as set forth above. See 37 CFR 1.175.

The nature of the defect(s) in the declaration is set forth in the discussion above in this Office action.

Claim Objections

Applicant is notified that any subsequent amendment to the specification and/or claims must comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b). In addition, when any substantive amendment is filed in the reissue application, which amendment otherwise places the reissue application in condition for allowance, a supplemental oath/declaration will be required. See MPEP § 1414.01.

The claims presented with the amendments filed December 8, 2006 do not comply with 37 CFR 1.173 (d), which sets forth the manner of showing the change relative to the patent in reissue applications.

Application/Control Number: 09/586,747

Art Unit: 1617

(d) Changes shown by markings. Any changes relative to the patent being reissued which are

made to the specification, including the claims, upon filing, or by an amendment paper in the reissue application, must include the following markings:

- (1) The matter to be omitted by reissue must be enclosed in brackets; and
- (2) The matter to be added by reissue must be underlined, except for amendments submitted on compact discs (§§ 1.96 and 1.821(c)). Matter added by reissue on compact discs must be preceded with "<U>" and end with "</U>" to properly identify the material being added.
 - a. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shengjun Wang whose telephone number is (571) 272-0632. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Application/Control Number: 09/586,747 Page 4

Art Unit: 1617

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sreeni Padmanabhan, can be reached on (571) 272-0629. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

Shengjun Wang

RIMARY EXAMINER

Primary Examiner
Art Unit 1617